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Subject: RE: Pebble FEIS Draft Comment Letter for Review

DELIBERATIVE

Just FYI, Cindy did call me earlier this morning, and she understands that there will be a blurring with this letter between NEPA and 404; she agrees that this is a unique letter and that issue closure should be reached with a clear path forward – not just left at an evaluation... She also indicated Brittany B will be focused at the higher level and not the weeds. They are still thinking about how to present it for her.

Just more to think about re the letter response ...

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Does this answer your question?

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DRAFT, DELIBERATIVE, AND ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVALAGES ...

Palmer – I do not have access to the share point site so I have included comments in the attached document. I have a few minor edits to the cover letter.

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I'm guessing you have previously discussed - thoughts all?

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John/Brian/Russ

OWOW's comments on R10's draft FEIS letter are due in the R10 sharepoint file identified below by noon ET on Monday 8/10.

I have reviewed the draft FEIS letter. It's a distillation of dozens of pages of comments from the review team in an effort to generate as short a letter as possible. This distillation was done based of the way leadership has handled this project for the past 3.5 years. Thus, the product is a very restrained letter, particularly in light of the nature and magnitude of the proposed impacts and the level of our outstanding concerns.

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Aside from that, my comments are fairly minor clean up edits, see attached.

Please let me know ASAP your thoughts regarding how you would like to compile OWOW edits by the noon ET deadline on Monday.

Thanks, Palmer

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Sent: Friday, August 07, 2020 3:19 PM

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Hi everyone,

The Pebble FEIS draft comment letter is attached and on the Pebble Team Sharepoint site [here](#) for your review. Please complete your review and comments by Tuesday, August 11.

We request receiving comments in track changes on the Sharepoint version to facilitate version control and comment consolidation given the large number of reviewers. If Sharepoint doesn't work, please email comments to Molly Vaughan and Patty McGrath. If you encounter Sharepoint access issues, please let me know and I can try to resolve them.

As a reminder, given the short timeframe available for this FEIS review, the internal schedule compresses multiple levels of review into a single three-day window, including both Region 10 and HQ programs as well as legal review. HQ reviewers -- please note the attached email from Cindy Barger sent yesterday regarding review coordination.

Thanks,

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